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Courts & Rulings

Should prosecutors get the names of officers who commit misconduct?

The California Supreme Court appeared divided Wednesday over a ruling that barred the Los Angeles County sheriff from giving prosecutors the names of deputies who have committed misconduct. During a hearing, the state high court weighed an appeal of a decision that prohibited the sheriff from giving the district attorney the names of deputies with a history of bad behavior, including lying, taking bribes, tampering with evidence, using unreasonable force or engaging in domestic violence.
Los Angeles Times

Appellate court denies Camarillo man's claims for new trial in 2014 deputy death case

An appellate court has denied a Camarillo man's claims for a new trial over the 2014 death of a Ventura County sheriff's deputy. The 2nd District Court of Appeal issued its opinion Wednesday in response to Kevin Hogrefe's arguments for a new trial. In October 2016, a Ventura County jury found Hogrefe guilty of second-degree murder in the death of Deputy Yehven "Eugene" Kostiuchenko.
Ventura County Star

Plaintiffs who sought $3.8 million in fees properly awarded $0

The Court of Appeal on Friday declared that plaintiffs in a civil rights action over a forcible detention at a mansion where a party took place who collectively obtained a jury award of less than $5,400, then sought inflated attorney fees of nearly $3.8 million, are entitled to just what the trial court granted in fees: nothing. Justice Richard M. Aronson of the Fourth District Court of Appeal wrote the opinion, which was not certified for publication.
Metropolitan News-Enterprise

Pretrial detention puts supervision on hold, justices rule

Party lines went out the window Monday as the Supreme Court ruled 5-4 against an Ohio drug dealer who said pretrial detention should count as time he was supposed to spend on supervised release for older charges. Jason Mont began his five-year term of supervised release in 2012 following an initial plea of guilty to cocaine and firearm charges.
Courthouse News Service

San Francisco police got a warrant to search journalist's phone before controversial raid

The San Francisco police department obtained a warrant to search the phone of the freelance journalist at the center of a controversy over a leaked report, and were authorized to conduct monitoring on the device months before a raid on his home and office, documents released Friday showed. In a statement emailed to this newspaper Friday, an attorney for the journalist, Bryan Carmody, accused police of obtaining the

warrant illegally.
Bay Area News Group

Judges: State fails to effect needed courthouse repairs
There are courthouses in Los Angeles County and elsewhere in the state in critical need of repair but, as some judges see it, the Judicial Council is dawdling in causing the fix-up work. One judge in Van Nuys, who doesn't want to be identified, tells of asbestos problems, chambers being quarantined, and ceilings collapsing, commenting that the Judicial Council "is simply not keeping up its courthouses" and asserting that there is "an ongoing pattern that doesn't seem to be addressed."
Metropolitan News-Enterprise

Fearing Supreme Court loss, New York tries to make gun case vanish
A couple of weeks ago, the New York Police Department held an unusual public hearing. Its purpose was to make a Supreme Court case disappear. In January, the court agreed to hear a Second Amendment challenge to a New York City gun regulation. The city, fearing a loss that would endanger gun control laws across the nation, responded by moving to change the regulation. The idea was to make the case moot.
New York Times

Orange County grand jury finds no damage from improper recordings of phone calls between jail inmates, lawyers
An Orange County grand jury investigation has found no evidence that criminal cases were affected by the illegal recording of nearly 34,000 attorney-client telephone calls from the Orange County Jail. The grand jury findings released Friday also found no wrongdoing on the part of the Orange County District Attorney's Office or Sheriff's Department in the handling of the recorded calls, which violated the most sacred of legal tenets.
Orange County Register

High Court takes up sentencing appeal objection issue
The U.S. Supreme Court agreed to clear up an issue that has divided the federal courts of appeal about what standard courts should apply when reviewing certain sentencing appeals. The issue is whether a formal objection after pronouncement of sentence is necessary to invoke appellate reasonableness review of the length of a defendant's sentence. The standard of review courts apply can affect the outcome of a case.
Bloomberg Law

Justices rule bias claims can skip over EEOC
The Supreme Court held unanimously Monday that federal courts can exercise jurisdiction over discrimination claims that were never brought before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 - which forbids employers from discriminating against employees on the base of race, color, religion, sex and national

origin - stipulates that a complainant must first file a charge with the EEOC before going to court.
Courthouse News Service

Gundy v. United States could signal a major change in the Supreme Court's separation of powers jurisprudence
Gundy v. United States is not listed in most media accounts of important matters now before the Supreme Court, yet this case could profoundly change how courts intervene to preserve the constitutional separation of powers in the future.
American Enterprise Institute

Prosecutors / Prosecutions

Sheriff's deputy ordered to stand trial for fatal on-duty shooting
A Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy was ordered Friday to stand trial on a voluntary manslaughter charge stemming from the fatal on-duty shooting of a man in Norwalk - the first prosecution of its type in the county in almost two decades.
My News LA

Families of fallen PSPD officers speak out against Gov. Newsom's death penalty suspension
A jury recommendation of the death penalty for the man convicted of murdering two Palm Springs police officers is just one step in a long process ahead. John Felix's death penalty verdict means relief for the families of officers Jose "Gil" Vega and Lesley Zerebny, but they're concerned that because of a statewide moratorium placed on executions by Governor Gavin Newsom, Felix's death sentence may never be carried out.
KESQ

Unprecedented $50-million bail for La Luz del Mundo leader accused of sex abuse
Prosecutors said they secured an unprecedented $50-million bail for the leader of La Luz del Mundo church because they feared his followers could raise money to free him from custody and that he would flee the country. Authorities also said they were looking to see whether there were other victims of the charismatic religious figure, who was charged with multiple counts of sexual abuse.
Los Angeles Times

DA: Convictions of sellers of drugs used in overdoses sends a message
Those accused of selling drugs to people who later die of an overdose are being held accountable, according to Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler. Last week, a Port Jervis woman was sentenced after pleading guilty to criminally negligent homicide and other drug related charges. And this week, a Huguenot woman was arrested for

criminally negligent homicide and other drug related charges.
Spectrum News

Feds want room to grow in college admissions bribery case
Prosecutors in the admissions-bribery case that has rocked colleges across the country told a federal judge Monday that it is still too early to finalize the evidence - a record that includes millions of pages and counting. "Full House" actress Lori Loughlin is one of multiple defendants still awaiting trial in a case where prosecutors say the Edge College & Career Network arranged for desperate wealthy parents to get their children enrolled at top-flight schools around the country.
Courthouse News Service

Judge dismisses charges against alleged white nationalist group members
A Los Angeles federal judge today dismissed all charges against three reputed members of a Southern California white nationalist group suspected of having incited brawls at political rallies. U.S. District Judge Carmac J. Carney granted a defense motion dismissing charges against Robert Rundo, Robert Boman and Aaron Eason on grounds that the federal riots act - under which they were charged - ``is unconstitutionally overbroad in violation of the First Amendment.''
City News Service

'Lie until you die.' Witness testifies accused Hollywood ripper researched forensic science to avoid getting caught
A one-time friend of an alleged serial murderer testified Monday that he researched forensic science online, liked watching "America's Most Wanted" to learn from criminals' mistakes and told the witness that "lie, lie until you die" was his plan if he was ever accused of a crime.
City News Service

Salinas Valley prison murder part of statewide Aryan Brotherhood plot, prosecutors say
A 2016 murder at Salinas Valley State Prison was part of a statewide conspiracy by 16 members and associates of the Aryan Brotherhood, federal prosecutors reported Thursday. Brant Daniel, 44, killed Zachary Scott, 36, Oct. 29, 2016, to further his status within the Aryan Brotherhood and the gang's interests, the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of California said in a press release.
Salinas Californian

Ninth Circuit won't consider Cooley's appeal of contempt fine
The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday dismissed an appeal by former Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley and others of a $195,000 civil contempt fine based on violating a preliminary injunction, saying that the appeals are premature because the underlying civil action is still pending.
Metropolitan News-Enterprise

Prop. 57, Prop 47& AB 109

Prop. 47, which reduced some felonies to misdemeanors, can apply to gang crimes
A 2014 ballot measure that reduced many drug and theft crimes from felonies to misdemeanors also applies to people convicted of related crimes such as stealing for the benefit of a gang, a crime that California law classifies as "street terrorism," the state Supreme Court ruled Monday. The 5-2 ruling will free a Southern California gang member who was convicted in 2014 of stealing a bicycle worth about $200 and sentenced to nearly 10 years in prison.
San Francisco Chronicle

Disguising a public safety crisis as a housing crisis
Another day, another camp. The latest vagrant camp has emerged on Inglewood Blvd. under the 90 freeway, by the very upscale Sunkist Park. First, it's a couple of tents, then more, then it becomes a city in its own right - entitled to city services such as sanitation clean up, and soon we have a permanent camp with property rights. These camps are a breeding ground for petty crime, drugs, and disease such as scabies and staphylococcus.
Culver City Observer

A closer look at crime laws in California
The argument of what is too severe or too light when it comes to certain crimes is something Sheriff Margaret Mims of Fresno County, California is highlighting. Sheriff Mims describes that as her new reality since Proposition 47 passed in California. The law was passed in 2014 and was amended in 2016. It lowers certain drug offenses to misdemeanors as well as crimes such as petty theft. If you steal something worth $950 or less, it's a misdemeanor.
Sinclair Broadcast Group

Criminal Justice / Public Safety

APD to remove officers from federal task forces (Video)
CBS46 Atlanta

Auditor says FBI database of faces lacks privacy safeguards
Back for Day 2 of an oversight hearing on the government's use of facial-recognition software, lawmakers were left momentarily and uncharacteristically speechless Tuesday as an auditor at Homeland Security detailed the FBI's database of 640 million faces, a number that is twice the population of the United States.
Courthouse News Service

In a historic move, SF Supes vote to get rid of juvenile hall
On Tuesday, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors voted 10-1 in favor

of legislation to shutter the city's juvenile hall by December 2021. The ordinance, authored by Supervisors Hillary Ronen, Shamann Walton, and Matt Haney, in partnership with the Young Women's Freedom Center, makes SF the first major urban city to choose to abolish juvenile incarceration.
Witness LA

Attorney General William P. Barr announces creation of the State and Local Law Enforcement Coordination Section
On May 2, 2019, Attorney General William P. Barr approved the creation of the State and Local Law Enforcement Coordination Section (SLEC-S) within the Office of Legislative Affairs. As of June 3, 2019, the SLEC-S will be responsible for ensuring that Department leadership is properly informed of state and local law enforcement's top priorities, while working to ensure that the Department has an impactful presence within the state and local law enforcement community.
Department of Justice/Office of Public Affairs

Policy & Legal Issues

California bill limiting how police use deadly force modified. Can it still promise change?
Less than a month after Sacramento Police officers shot and killed Stephon Clark, Assemblymember Shirley Weber (D-San Diego) introduced a bill to "ensure that our state policy governing the use of deadly force stresses the sanctity of human life, and is only used when necessary." Numerous protests had paralyzed daily life in Sacramento and Assembly Bill 931 was the legislature's response.
ABC10 Sacramento

Deputy who stayed outside Parkland School as gunman rampaged inside faces criminal charges
As bullets ricocheted and bodies fell in the hallways and classrooms at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School last year, Deputy Scot Peterson was outside the building. Instead of storming in after the 19-year-old gunman, he retreated to a position of safety.
New York Times

LAPD officer was the 'immigrant dream' before his life changed at a Border Patrol checkpoint
When proponents of tougher enforcement talk about people coming to the U.S. "the right way," they often describe immigrants like Mambasse Patara. The 53-year-old Fontana resident entered the U.S. legally from Togo in 1999, then earned his citizenship by fighting in the Iraq war as a Marine. He has spent the last 12 years as a patrolman and traffic investigator for the Los Angeles Police Department.
Los Angeles Times

Correction: Gay pride-police uniforms story

In a story June 4 about uniformed police officers banned from the Sacramento pride parade, The Associated Press, relying on information from an LGBTQ nonprofit group, reported erroneously that Los Angeles Police Assistant Chief Beatrice Girmala identifies as gay. A corrected version of the story is below: Uniformed police officers banned at Sacramento pride parade.
AP

California man freed from life prison sentence for joyriding
A California man was freed from prison after serving 23 years of his life sentence on a joyriding conviction, including eight years in solitary confinement for possessing a book written by the co-founder of a notorious prison gang. His attorneys say it's unconscionable that he was set to die in prison for nonviolent crimes.
AP

All-civilian panels could review LAPD misconduct cases starting June 13
The Los Angeles Police Commission on Tuesday finalized qualifications for residents who will serve on the powerful boards that review serious officer misconduct. Beginning June 13, officers can choose to have a Board of Rights panel made up of three civilians review their discipline case or select a board with the current makeup of one civilian and two LAPD Los Angeles Police Department command staff members.
Los Angeles Times

Cops across the US have been exposed posting racist and violent things on Facebook. Here's the proof.
When an armed, would-be robber backed out of a liquor store after the clerk pulled a gun on him, the surveillance video was posted on Facebook with a comment: "Should have shot him." Another commenter responded, "I would of pulled the trigger." These comments weren't from your everyday Facebook users. They were the words of Philadelphia police officers.
LRIS

Officer pushes for autism awareness
Law enforcement officers are often the first responders to incidents involving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, such as autism. However, many officers are not equipped with the training needed to deal with these individuals in high-stress situations. Recent encounters between law enforcement and those affected by autism have shown that the disorder continues to be one that officers are grappling to understand.
American Police Beat

NorCal City of Oakland decriminalizes psilocybin
Telling police to look the other way, and restricting enforcement of state and federal laws against psychoactive plants, Oakland, California,

became the second U.S. city on Tuesday to effectively decriminalize magic mushrooms. After more than an hour of testimony from supporters, the Oakland City Council unanimously passed a resolution decriminalizing the use, possession, distribution and cultivation of psychoactive plants and fungi, including psilocybin (magic mushrooms), ayahuasca and peyote.
Courthouse News Service

California considers ban on facial recognition's new frontier: police body cameras
Facial recognition's first blanket ban arrived in May, when San Francisco became the only city in the nation to bar police and other agencies from using the technology. Now the powerful software, which uses machine learning algorithms to automatically track human faces in digital footage and match them to names, is facing a broader moratorium.
Los Angeles Times

Public Health

Los Angeles County launches public health probe of LAPD typhoid case
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors asked public health officials Tuesday to develop a communicable-disease prevention and intervention plan in response to an LAPD employee contracting the bacteria that causes typhoid fever. Supervisor Kathryn Barger recommended a coordinated intervention by public health workers in coordination with city sanitation departments and other health agencies.
City News Service

Typhoid fever, typhus & tuberculosis: Are L.A.'s medieval diseases coming to your city?
Los Angeles has a growing problem with diseases borne by both flea and feces. An LAPD officer was just diagnosed with typhoid fever along with two more from the same workplace displaying symptoms. Meanwhile, cases of typhus, caused by a different bacterium, have soared in California from 13 in 2008 to 167 in 2018. In addition, there have been outbreaks of hepatitis A, tuberculosis, and staph in L.A. and other West Coast cities.
Forbes

Goldstein Investigates: Illegal dumping persists in DTLA while city security cameras collect dust
More than $100,000 in surveillance cameras has been sitting idle for more than a year while illegal dumping is rampant in downtown Los Angeles, a David Goldstein investigation reveals. Goldstein's investigation uncovered $150,000-worth of security cameras and equipment has been sitting in a locked storage cabinet in the L.A. City Public Works building.
CBS LA

Human feces, other filth at homeless camps lure rats to L.A. City Hall, report says

When faced with complaints earlier this year from city workers about rats infesting L.A. City Hall, most city officials said little about whether the problem was connected to several homeless camps right outside. But a newly uncovered report from a pest control company hired by the city has raised fresh questions about whether officials wrongly downplayed that possibility during discussions at City Council meetings.
Los Angeles Times

Mounting disorder in San Francisco

The Bay Area's most densely populated and desirable neighborhoods are being destroyed by lawlessness and squalor. San Francisco now leads the nation in property crime, according to the FBI. "Other low-level offenses," Sandberg reports for City Journal, "including drug dealing, street harassment, encampments, indecent exposure, public intoxication, simple assault, and disorderly conduct are also rampant."
City Journal

Parole

Family outraged after killer in brutal baby death is granted parole

A nurse who pleaded guilty in the brutal death of her boyfriend's baby has been granted parole. "Angry, angry," said Deanna Stanley, the grandmother of 7-month-old Nicole Alegado. Stanley spoke to 10News after attending a state parole board hearing Thursday and learning the woman who killed her granddaughter was granted parole. Back in 2008, in order to avoid a trial, the baby's family supported a plea deal.
ABC10 San Diego

Gov. Newsom denies parole for Manson follower Leslie Van Houten

California Gov. Gavin Newsom overruled a parole board's decision to free Charles Manson follower Leslie Van Houten on Monday, marking the third time a governor has stopped the release of the youngest member of Manson's murderous cult. Van Houten, 69, is still a threat, Newsom said, though she has spent nearly half a century behind bars and received reports of good behavior and testimonials about her rehabilitation.
AP

Stockton woman whose murder sentence was commuted granted parole

A woman who was convicted of first-degree murder after she recruited three men to beat her ex-boyfriend was granted parole this week. Kelly Marie Flynn, 39, had been sentenced to 33 years to life for the 1996 kidnapping and murder of Reginald Rachal, 24. In January, Gov. Jerry

Brown commuted Flynn's sentence to 22 years to life, making Flynn eligible for a parole hearing.
The Record

Crime

Man allegedly attempts to rob off-duty deputy at mall, gets shot
A man who allegedly tried to rob an off-duty sheriff's deputy and his family at a Riverside mall ended up getting shot and later arrested, police said Sunday. Multiple callers reported hearing shots being fired at around 9:45 p.m. Saturday in the parking lot for the Galleria at Tyler, the Riverside City police Officer Ryan Railsback said.
City News Service

Taking a look at us without rose colored glasses
I enjoy calling Red Bluff my home; I have been here for 46 years and have no plans to move. I have often written about how I feel it is a blessing to be able to live here in the North Valley, how the mild winters are enjoyable, the people are friendly, and the beauty of the snow covered mountains on three sides presents a magnificent vista.
Red Bluff Daily News

RPD: Rapes up 72 percent in 2018
Rapes reported in the city of Ridgecrest were up 72 percent in 2018, according to Ridgecrest Police Chief Jed McLaughlin. McLaughlin said there were 31 rapes reported in 2018 as compared to 18 reported in 2017. McLaughlin shared the statistics as part of his annual department report during the Ridgecrest City Council's budget workshop on Wednesday night.
Siskiyou Daily News

Needles' crime statistics for 2018 aired
Serious crime is up, less serious down and the San Bernardino County Sheriff Department has suspects for both: ballot measures and legislation that have reduced penalties for some crimes and reclassified others from felony to misdemeanor status; provided for early release for prisoners; allowed recreational use of marijuana; and provided "sanctuary" for illegal aliens.
Needles Desert Star

Gun violence has sharply declined in California's Bay Area. What happened?
In California's Silicon Valley, the boom and the bust are playing out simultaneously. Tech companies have made the Bay Area one of the wealthiest places on earth. But on the streets of San Francisco and the cities around it, desperation is increasingly visible. A spiraling housing crisis has made it unaffordable for many people to live in the cities where they work.
The Guardian

Leader of La Luz Del Mundo religious group arrested on suspicion of rape, child pornography
California prosecutors on Tuesday announced that a top leader of the La Luz Del Mundo religious organization based in Mexico was arrested on suspicion of human trafficking, production of child pornography, forcible rape of a minor and other felonies.
Los Angeles Times

Los Angeles County

Sheriff Villanueva in hot water over comments he made about women in his department
L.A. County Sheriff Alex Villanueva found himself in hot water Wednesday after making controversial comments about women who work in his department. The comments came while the sheriff was being interviewed on Big Boy's radio show. The sheriff was discussing female deputies when he made remarks some called sexist. Big Boy asked Villanueva who would win a fight between the LAPD or LASD.
CBS LA

Annual count finds spike in LA County homelessness
The homeless population is growing faster than the rate people can be housed, according to the sobering point-in-time county report released Tuesday by Los Angeles County officials. The homeless population grew by 12% with 59,000 people living on the street in the county and by 16% in the city of LA with 36,300 people unsheltered.
Courthouse News Service

L.A. County to pay $3M to family of 11-year-old allegedly failed by 911
The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors voted today to pay $3 million to settle a claim brought by the family of an 11-year- old girl who suffered an asthma attack and died on Christmas Eve 2017 after multiple 911 calls were allegedly misrouted. The board approved the settlement - recommended by county lawyers who cited the high risk and uncertainties of litigation - without comment.
MyNewsLA.com

Los Angeles voters decisively reject parcel tax that would have raised $500 million annually for schools
Setting back efforts to restore Los Angeles Unified to financial health, voters have decisively rejected a tax on real estate which would have raised approximately $500 million annually for the state's largest school district. With 100 percent of precincts reporting at 1 a.m. Wednesday, Measure EE won only 45.68 percent of the vote, with 54.32 percent against.
EdSource

Los Angeles County sues Monsanto over allegations of PCB chemical contamination in waterways
Los Angeles County recently filed a lawsuit against Bayer, who last year purchased Monsanto, alleging that the company contaminated its local waterways and environment for decades with PCB chemicals used while manufacturing Monsanto products. "Polychlorinated biphenyls (or 'PCBs') are man-made chemical compounds that have become notorious as global environmental contaminants - found in bays, oceans, rivers, streams, soil and air," opens the 53-page court document.
Northern California Record

Consumer

Amazon fails in China, website to close
Global giant Amazon couldn't compete in China and will shut down its China website in July. Ironically, Amazon enables and facilitates an avalanche of counterfeit and fraudulent product sales, scams, and fake reviews, and is facing allegations of data leaks and employee bribes, but couldn't dominate Alibaba - China's notorious counterfeit marketplace, and JD.com which Walmart has a stake in.
The Counterfeit Report

'Epidemic' of counterfeit goods sold online: BBB Report
The BBB's "Fakes Are Not Fashionable" report found social media ads are often leading buyers to counterfeit sites, with 24% of Facebook ads for luxury clothing and accessories driving consumers to sites linked to fake goods. Facebook and Instagram did not immediately respond to a request for comment on the matter. "BBB's report finds that any shippable item with a reputation for quality and sizable mark-up is a candidate for counterfeiting," according to the organization.
NBC6 Miami

California / National

Cities are under no obligation to destroy themselves
There is nothing in the U.S. Constitution that requires cities to commit suicide. So it's good news that the city of San Clemente is refusing to cave in to the demands of those who think they're protecting the civil rights of homeless people by suing cities that enforce laws against unauthorized camping or sleeping on streets, sidewalks and other public spaces.
Orange County Register

MUTINY: Black Lives Matter members demand leader 'publicly resign' and seek 'intensive counseling'
Dozens of current, former, and inactive members of Black Lives Matter's Sacramento chapter have revolted against its lead organizer, demanding she "publicly resign," relinquish control of the group's social media

accounts, and seek "intensive counseling." The drama unfolded last week when 29 activists co-signed a letter denouncing Tanya Faison, who founded BLM Sacramento in 2015.
Daily Wire

All-American despair
The Centers for Disease Control recorded 47,173 suicides in 2017, and there were an estimated 1.4 million total attempts. Many of society's plagues strike heavier at women and minorities, but suicide in America is dominated by white men, who account for 70 percent of all cases. Middle-aged men walk the point. Men in the United States average 22 suicides per 100,000 people, with those ages 45 to 64 representing the fastest-growing group, up from 20.8 per 100,000 in 1999 to 30.1 in 2017.
Rolling Stone

California latest state to sue Purdue Pharma over OxyContin marketing
California on Monday sued drug manufacturer Purdue Pharma for allegedly misleading the public about the safety of its painkiller OxyContin and contributing to the nationwide opioid abuse epidemic. The lawsuit, filed in Los Angeles Superior Court, accuses the company, its affiliates and former President Richard Sackler of violating California's consumer protections against false advertising and unfair competition.
San Francisco Chronicle

Bail reform's surge puts new spin on old fears of bias
There's a seismic shift afoot in how courts decide to release or detain those facing criminal charges before trial. To gauge just how fast that change is occuring, it's worth looking back at 2013 TED Talk from a onetime prosecutor. Anne Milgram was a few years removed from serving as New Jersey's attorney general and then leading criminal justice projects at the Arnold Foundation when she gave that talk about using data to assess the risk to the public of releasing someone who is arrested and whether they will return to court.
Law360

Buildings can be designed to withstand earthquakes. Why doesn't the U.S. build more of them?
When the shaking started at 5:46 a.m., Yasuhisa Itakura, an architect at a big Japanese construction company in Kobe, was sitting at his desk finishing a report he had toiled over all night. His office swayed, but the books stayed on their shelves and nothing fell off his desk. "I thought to myself, this earthquake is not that big," Mr. Itakura said. It was, in fact, catastrophic.
New York Times

Sentences/Convictions

Police officer who robbed two banks in San Francisco will spend time behind bars
A San Francisco police officer who is suspended without pay for sending racist and homophobic text messages has been sentenced to 2 ½ years in prison for robbing two banks, prosecutors announced Thursday. Rain Daugherty, 44, also will have to repay the more than $10,000 he stole from the banks.
Los Angeles Times

Gang member sentenced for racially motivated LA fire bombing
A gang member who firebombed the homes of African Americans to force them out of a Los Angeles housing project was sentenced Monday to 13 years in federal prison. Jose "Lil' Moe" Saucedo, 25, was sentenced for what U.S. District Judge Christina A. Snyder called "a terribly violent crime," according to a U.S. Department of Justice statement.
AP

Man seen on viral video punching 2 women in DTLA hot dog dispute gets 30 days in jail
A man captured on video punching two women over a January hot dog dispute in downtown Los Angeles has been sentenced to 30 days in county jail, officials announced Monday. Arka Oroojian, 30, of Sylmar, pleaded guilty on May 28 to two counts of battery, according to the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office. In addition to spending one month behind bars, his sentence includes three years of probation and 30 days of community labor.
KTLA

Owner of Costa Mesa company sentenced to prison for selling counterfeit electronic parts
The owner of a Costa Mesa electronics distributor was sentenced to nearly four years in federal prison for selling counterfeit integrated circuits, some of which ended up in a military weapon system, federal prosecutors said. Rogelio Vasquez, 44, of Orange was sentenced last week in U.S. District Court to 46 months and ordered to pay $144,000 in restitution, prosecutors said.
Daily Pilot

Corrections

California prison overdoses are soaring. Gavin Newsom has a $160 million plan to curb them.
Gov. Gavin Newsom wants to launch a drug and alcohol treatment program for California prison inmates that would be by far the largest and most complex of its kind, and he wants to get it up and running in two years. The $160 million-per-year proposal, which calls for hiring 280 people next year and 150 the year after that, would make California the third state to provide comprehensive treatment in prisons, along with

Rhode Island and Massachusetts.
Sacramento Bee

Inmate stabbed to death in yard fight at high-security prison in Folsom
Prison authorities are investigating the death of an inmate as a homicide after the man was involved in a fight with two other inmates at California State Prison-Sacramento in Folsom. The 63-year-old, who has not been identified, was seen fighting with inmates Joshua Kerr, 35, and Nicholas Mangelli, 28, in an exercise yard Thursday afternoon, according to a news release from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.
Los Angeles Times

Homeless

Despite increased spending, homelessness up 12% in Los Angeles County
Homelessness is up in Los Angeles County for the third time in four years. Numbers released Tuesday show nearly 59,000 people living on the streets or in vehicles - a 12% increase over 2018. That's despite two voter-approved tax hikes and more than $600 million spent last year by the city and county on social services and new supportive housing.
NPR

Homelessness in L.A. is a catastrophe in motion, and our leaders are largely to blame
Some of them are flat broke, some are sick, some work, some have given up hope. They are homeless in Los Angeles, where mega-mansions and shantytowns share the same ZIP code, and where the dark underbelly of a colossal social breakdown is on full display. In L.A. city and county, you taxed yourselves to do something about it, and last year alone $619 million was poured into housing and services.
Los Angeles Times

Metro expands homeless services
As the county's homelessness crisis continues to grow, agencies that have traditionally operated outside the social services field are being forced to realign their organizations and assume leadership roles normally reserved for large municipalities. Metro, the county's transportation agency, has moved to the front lines of the fight against homelessness with an expansion of outreach teams traveling on buses/trains and plans to provide new shelters for homeless individuals who currently use transit as a form of temporary housing.
Santa Monica Daily Press

Guns

The one type of gun control gaining bipartisan support

As Americans continue to be divided by a vast chasm on gun-control legislation, laws to temporarily take firearms from people deemed threats are showing rare promise of bipartisan appeal. A Republican lawmaker in Pennsylvania is pushing to make his state the second in the nation with a GOP-controlled legislature to pass such a measure in recent years, known as a "red flag" law.
Wall Street Journal

NRATV future in doubt with collapse of Ackerman McQueen relationship with NRA
NRATV, launched in 2016, now faces an uncertain future as its creator, Ackerman McQueen, and its longtime client, the NRA, prepare for an acrimonious divorce filled with allegations of betrayal, blackmail and lies. Court filings by both sides frequently mention NRATV, including concerns voiced by the National Rifle Association that its "voice of the NRA" had become too radical, too removed from the intended mission of protecting gun rights.
The Oklahoman

Pensions

New state-run IRA for private sector opens July 1
A new state workplace retirement savings program, CalSavers, will open to an estimated 250,00 to 300,000 employers on July 1 - offering an automatic IRA payroll deduction for the 7.5 million California workers with no retirement plan on the job. The massive program, expected to handle billions in savings, is voluntary for employees. If they don't opt out in 30 days, they are automatically enrolled.
Calpensions

CalSTRS's plan to reduce fees
The California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) is initiating a long-range plan to increase internal management of assets to reduce the $1.8 billion it currently pays out in external management fees. The largest group of fees paid to external managers in 2017 was in private equity where $521 million was paid in management fees and carry (profit sharing).
Equities.com

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